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Applicant's election without traverse of Group I, claims 1-40 in the reply filed on December 15, 2005 is acknowledged. Applicant points out that a similar election had already been made on September 8, 2005. However, the Examiner was unaware of such an election because the Application was not put onto the Examiner's docket until several months after the September 8, 2005 communication.

The reply filed on December 15, 2005 is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s): Applicant has not elected a species from the requirement set forth in section 4 of the last Office Action. The Examiner set forth two patently distinct species in the last Office Action, which were (1) areas of the outer surface adjacent said discrete areas are free of coating material and (2) continuous coating applied to areas of the outer surface not coated by the non-continuous coating. Applicant must elect a single species and provide a listing of all claims readable on the elected species. For more detail, see section 4 of the last Office Action.

Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be *bona fide*, applicant is given **ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS** from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).


Jeremy R. Pierce
Examiner

December 28, 2005